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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:	BARANOVA ET AL.)	EXAMINER: CRANE, L.E.
SERIAL NO.:	09/076,956)	ART UNIT: 1623
FILED:	MAY 13, 1998)	CONF NO: 5479
FOR:	PROCESS FOR THE SYNTHESIS OF NUCLEIC ACIDS ON A SOLID SUPPORT AND COMPOUNDS WHICH ARE USEFUL IN PARTICULAR AS SOLID SUPPORTS IN SAID PROCESS (AS AMENDED))	

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

**NOTICE OF APPEAL FROM THE EXAMINER TO THE BOARD
OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the decision dated December 2, 2003, of the Examiner finally rejecting claims 110-114.

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Applicant respectfully petitions for an additional three months extension of time, to and including June 2, 2004, to respond to the final Office Action mailed December 2, 2004. An Amendment and Remarks document was mailed on February 20, 2004.

NOTICE OF APPEAL FEE

A check in the amount of \$1,280.00 is enclosed for the petition fee and the appeal fee.

Total fees being paid at this time are:

Extension fees:	\$950.00
Appeal fee:	<u>\$330.00</u>
	\$1,280.00

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This constitutes a request for any further extension of time and an authorization to charge all necessary fees to Deposit Account No. 19-5117, if not otherwise specifically requested. The undersigned hereby authorizes the charging of any required fees not included or any deficiency of fees submitted herewith to deposit account No. 19-5117.

Respectfully submitted,

Date: June 2, 2004

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